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"SUPERMAN R.I.P."

I would like to give a BIG BR AVISSIMO to Frank Jacobs and Angelo Torres for their "Superman R.I.P." in MAD #318. It is a brilliant commentary on the Man of Steel—all of it, alas, true. I really liked it when you used the "Golden Age" versions of the Flash and the Green Lantern in your illustrations. Some things were missing (such as the 1950's TV show which starred George Reeves). Other than that, it was excellent!

David Bedell Blakely, GA

Super Dave—Glad you liked it! For the record, our lampooning of Superman's death was in no way influenced by MAD's new corporate association with DC Comics. By the way, in upcoming issues of MAD be on the lookout for other features totally unrelated to the new MAD/DC connection including The Lighter Side of Blood and Shadows, Spy vs. Spy vs. Lobo, You Know You Look like Swamp Thing When..., The MAD People Watcher's Guide at the Justice League of America and Snappy Answers to Stupid Questions Asked By Hawkman!—Ed.

SIGNING OF THE TIMES?

I really enjoyed #318's "A MAD Look at Autographs" by Sergio Aragones. Can I have his autograph?

> Jim Espenak Abbotsford, WI

Jimbo—we always do our best to fulfill reader requests, and yours is no exception. Unfortunately, Sergio was unavailable, so we asked artist Paul Peter Porges to fill in He agreed, and here is the Sergio Aragones autograph he forged just for you!—Ed.

Sergio Oragonés

TAXING OUR PATIENCE

I received my income tax refund yesterday. I gave some thought to subscribing to MAD for the next 55 years, but ultimately I decided to do something even more masochistic: I bought myself a bunch of Cleveland Indians tickets!

Dale Schmitt Lakewood, OH

We consulted tax expert Henry Block (not the one from H&R Block, the one from Apex Income Tax Servicel), who told us that either way, you'd be making a shrewd tax maneuver. By buying Indians tickets, you can write off the entire purchase price on your '93 taxes as a charitable deduction to the underprivileged and needy! If you had opted for 55 years of MAD, you could have written it off as a religious contribution, because we'd be thanking God every day for schmucks like youl—Ed.

MORON MAIL

Help! I don't know when my birthday is and I thought perhaps you could help me figure it out. I was born at 12:06 a.m. in Madison, Wisconsin on June 27th. I now live in California, where technically, the time of my birth is 10:06 p.m., June 26th. Therefore, when I am in California, is my birthday June 26th or 27th? Please let me know by next June 26th.

Sandra Hanson Sherman Oaks, CA

We pondered your question for quite a few seconds, and our determination is that the exact date of birth is of little concern to one who is brain dead!—Ed.



Introducing a new MAD feature!

Unlike other magazines, we care about our readers' opinions! That's why every now and then we'll ask you a question - a BIG question - and you send us your answer, okay? We want to find out if...we mean how you think! We'll print the results in an upcoming issue! Mail or fax your answer to:

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CANAL ON ANY CELEBRITY,
WHO WOULD YOU

CHOOSE AND WHY?

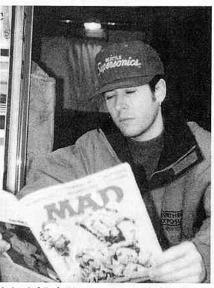


MORE MORON MAIL

In MAD and elsewhere, how come people always shout my name when they get hit? Y. P. Yeow Hong Kong

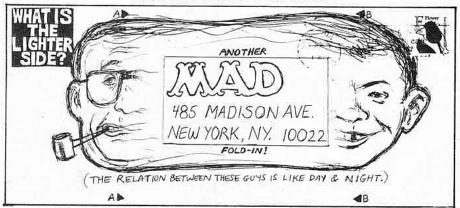
You're not the first person to ask about this we've received similar letters from Peter Aargh, Timothy Yipes and Frank Oh-God-My-Head-Is-Bleedingl Thanks for writingl—Ed.

THE SUN WILL COME OUT, ROB MORROW



A Jovial Rob Morrow (Dr. Joel Fleischman of TV's Northern Exposure) enjoys our spoof of his show in MAD #308. Actually, if it weren't for the words "Northern Exposure" printed on his jacket, we'd swear it was Vinnie the mechanic taking a break between valve jobs at the Sunocol

ENVELOPE OF THE MONTH



This issue's envelope is from Gregory Feinberg of Philadelphia, PAI Its Dave Berg fold-in motif might be considered inexplicable if not for its appearance in the same issue featuring the world's first Foldin cover. Coincidence, or just a bizarre junction of unrelated things?

A MAD LOOK AT BOB



Our own Sergio Aragones recently dropped by the set of Bob Newhart's CBS series BOB, where he guest-starred as a comic book legend (yeah, typecasting)! Everything was fine until Serge pulled out a copy of MAD. You can see the cast's reaction! At least they agreed to pick up the rental on his tux!

OIL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL?

In #318's "The MAD Treasury of Truly Unexplained Phenomena" you ignorantly state that Exxon "destroyed Alaska's coast-line." That is the popular and politically correct lie to believe. You obviously do not have any clue as to what you write or the harm it can do. The Prince William Sound recovery has been extraordinary and today it would be difficult to find any signs that the spill occurred anywhere in the small spill area.

Andrew Gandarillas Fairbanks, AK

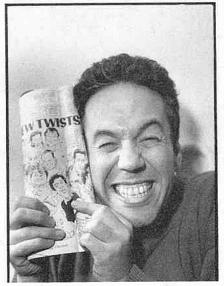
Thanks so much for setting us straight. We had no idea that the 400,000 or so birds who suffered horrible deaths as a result of the Exxon spill have miraculously sprung back to life and are now soaring happily above the pristine Alaskan shoreline. Likewise, we did not know that the 3,500 plus sea otters who died after their fur became fouled with oil have resurrected and are now being considered for work at Florida's Sea World! Nor did we know that the mutant fish now being hatched near the oil-contaminated coastal sediments have adjusted nicely to their curved spines and eye tumors. Andrew, we have but just one question for you: What is the Eskimo translation for the word "Putz"?—Ed.



THE GOTTFRIED FILE

Being an avid MAD reader, I picked up issue #314. This is the second time I found myself in your magazine. I called all my friends. If there's a third time I'm calling my lawyer!

Gilbert Gottfried New York, NY



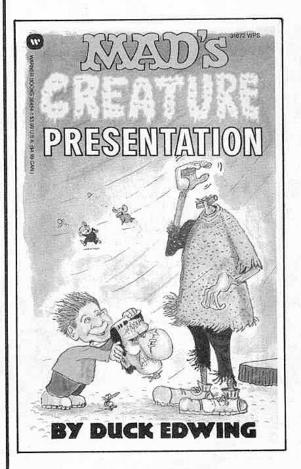
Note to our readers: What do you think the chances are of Mr. Gottfried sending us a third photo of himself after he reads this issue's take-off of Aladdin, in which he provided the voice of the annoying parrot who gets on everyone's nerves? Hmm...typecasting? See you in court, Gilbyl—Ed.



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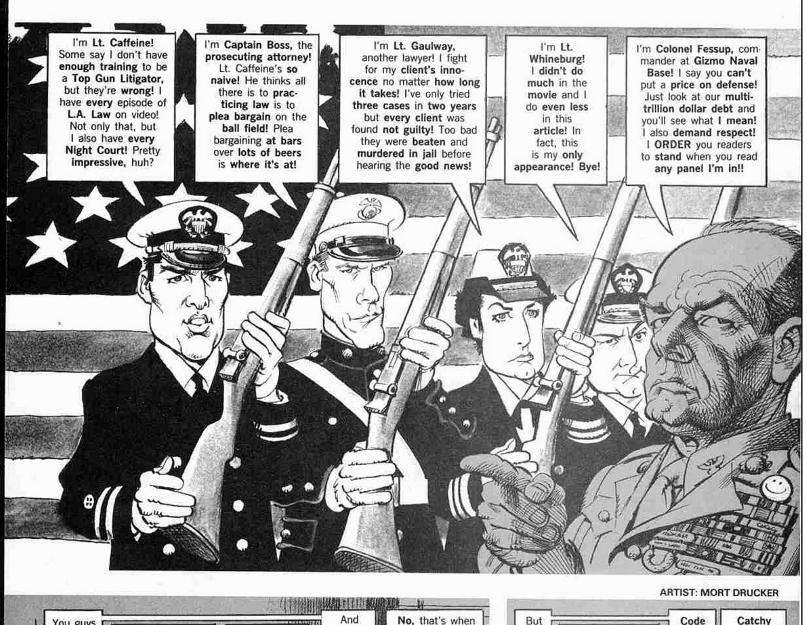


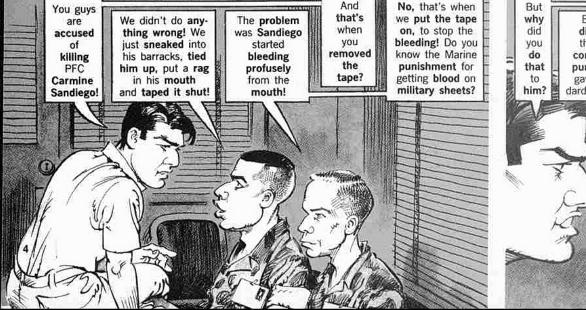
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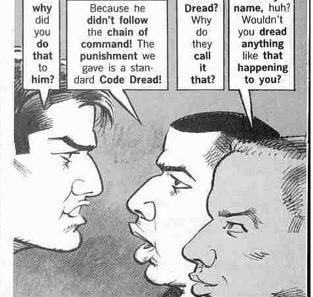
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ROTTEN TO THE CORPS DEPT.

There are hundreds of thousands of U.S. Marines dedicated to Unit, Corps, God and Country! In any group that large it's not surprising to find...









I'm Lt. Colonel
Marksman! People
say working for
Colonel Fessup is
very tough but we
get on fine! I
just lie, cheat
and steal to cover
his ass, kind of
like what Bush
did for Reagan!

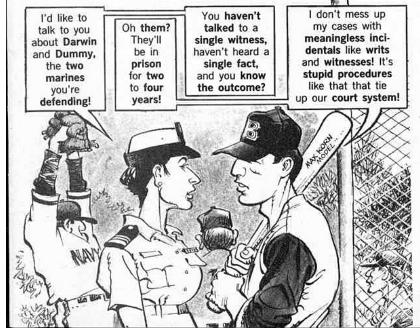
I'm Lt. Can-trick and
I think Colonel Fessup
is brilliant too!
People ask me if I
think the Colonel
ever makes a mistake!
That's crazy! Does
God make mistakes?
Of course He
does! But Colonel
Fessup? Never!

I'm Corporal Lance
Darwin and this is my
buddy, Dummy. I'm his
idol and we're an
inseparable team!
If I get a cold,
HE sneezes. I feel
bad for him—last
time I had food
poisoning HE threw
up for three days!

I've got some bad news for you, buddy! I've been limping lately you better get checked out for a hernia! I'm the judge, and
this is a very
difficult case—
not difficult to
judge who's
right, difficult to keep
from laughing
at all the
stupidity that goes
on in my courtroom!



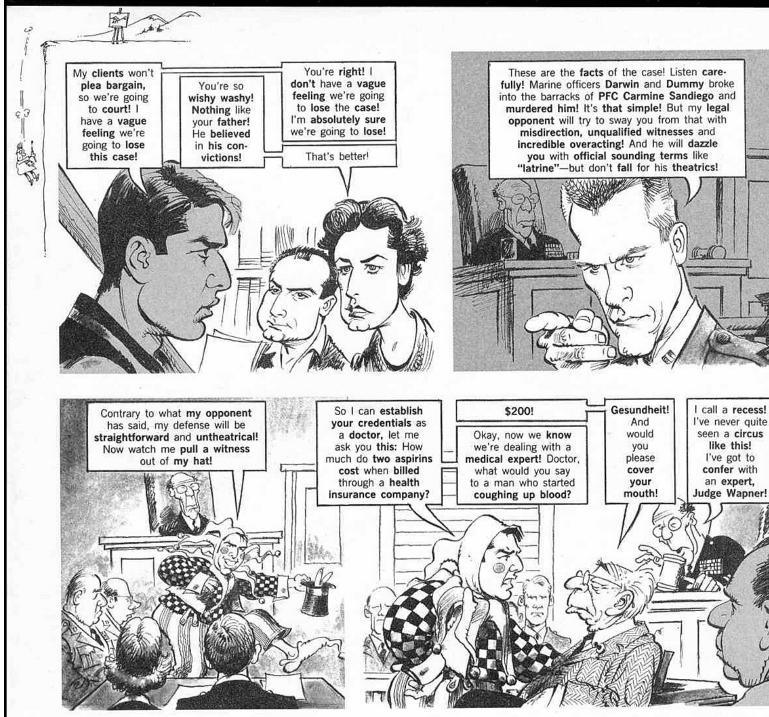
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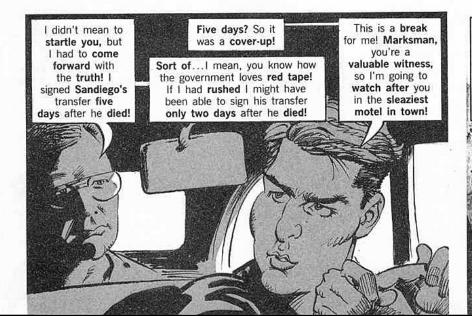


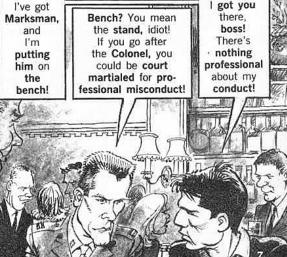
And he's still more You're animated than you! Inabsodeed, One thing's for sure, lutely he wasn't a screw-up that's nothing like you are! I bet very like true! you don't even know your where the courtroom is! He's famous dead! father!

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I'm supposed
to do
should I
ever get
inside!

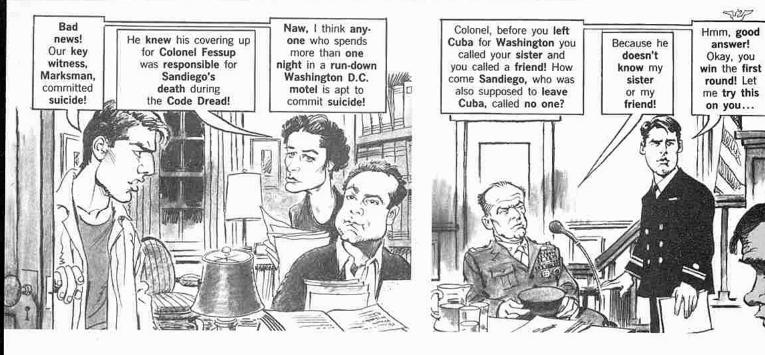


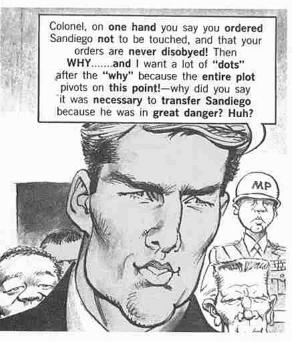




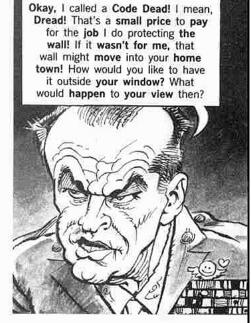


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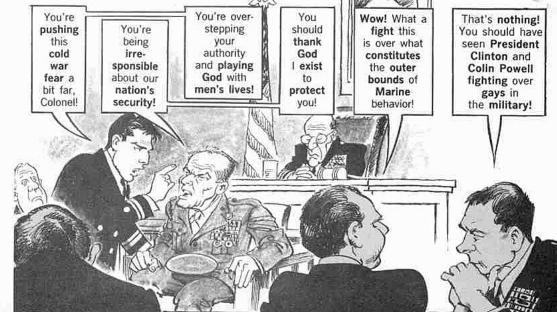




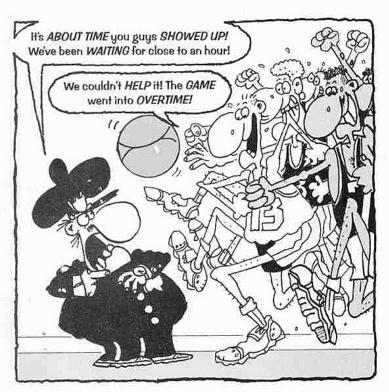




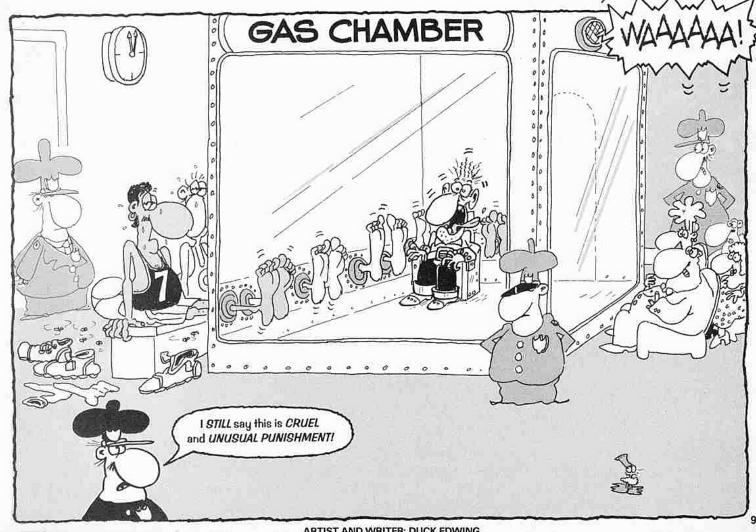


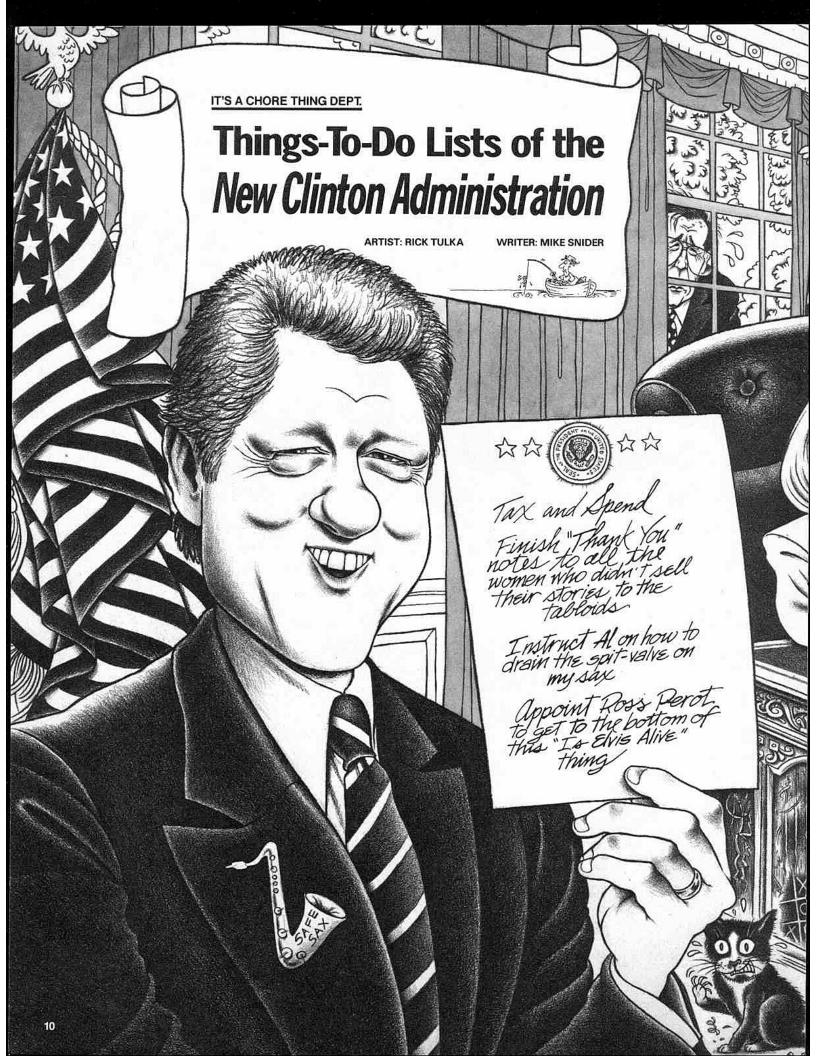


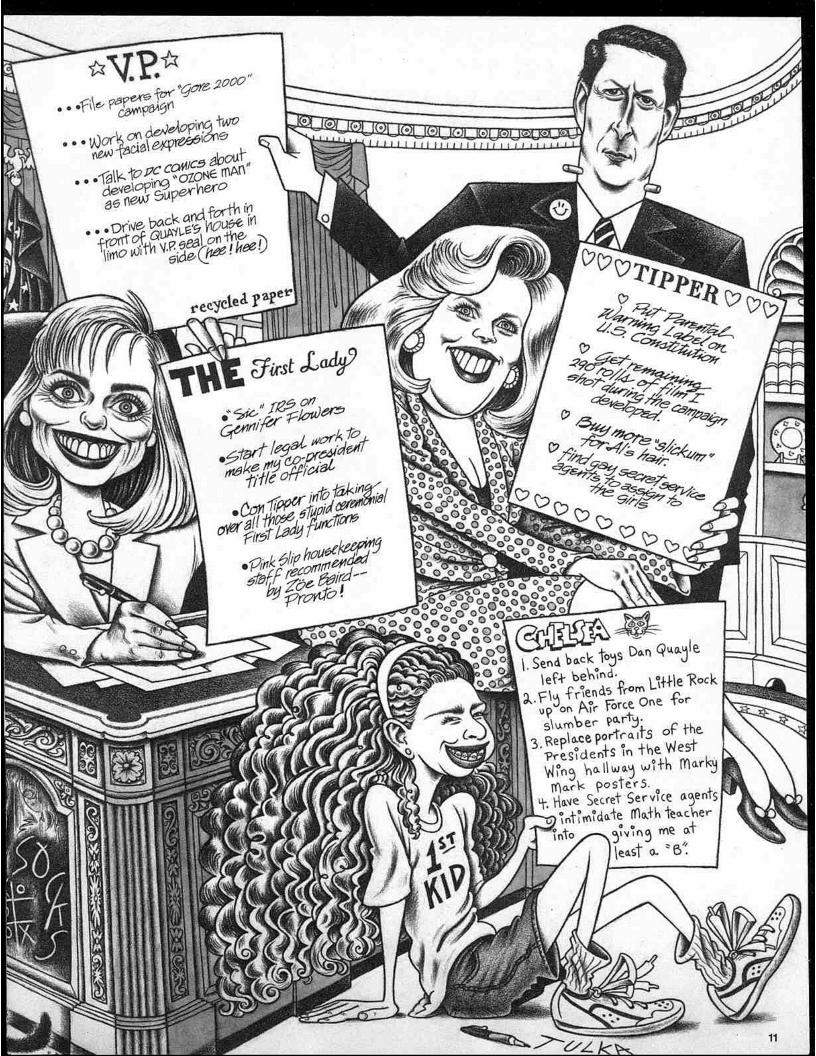
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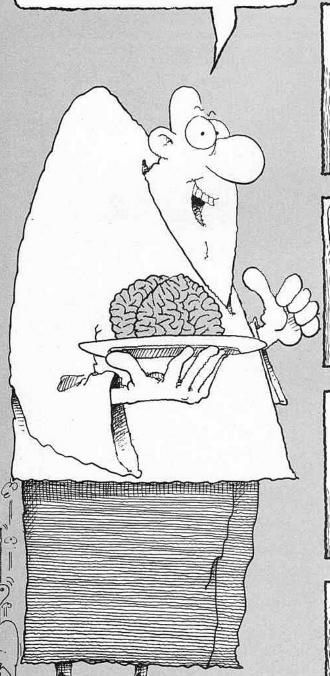
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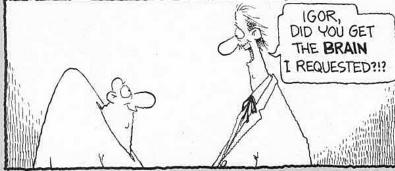
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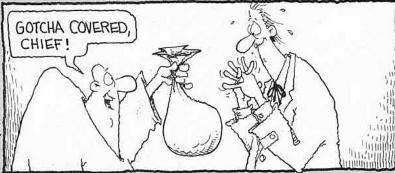
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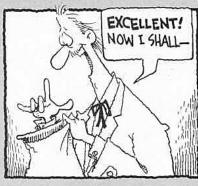
(Slobber Slobber, Smack Smack!) Even though I've been getting second billing for centuries, a lot of people think I'm the real brains of our operation—and in a way, I am! I collect the brains for our operation! So join me now for a trip through the restless hamlets of Eastern Europe in a travelogue I like to call...

LATE NOTE with GOB

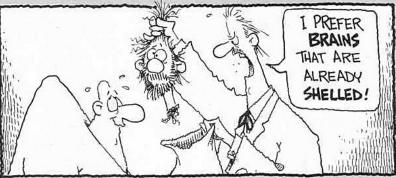




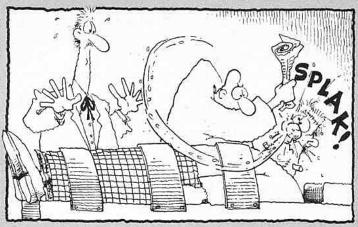


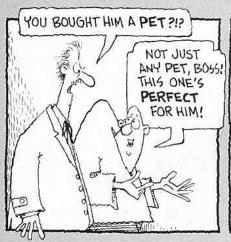
















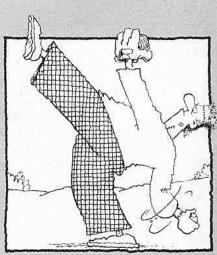


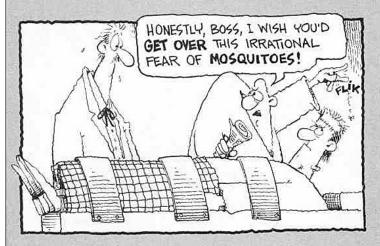


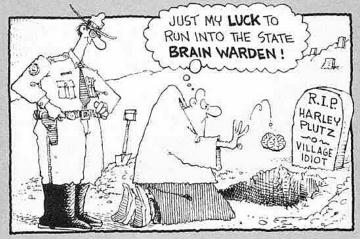










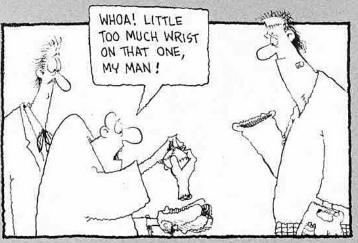












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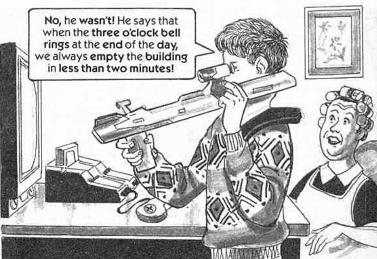






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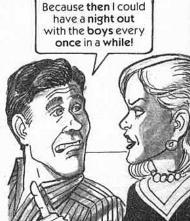




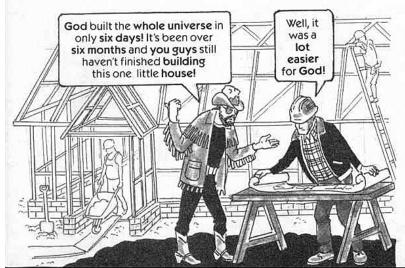
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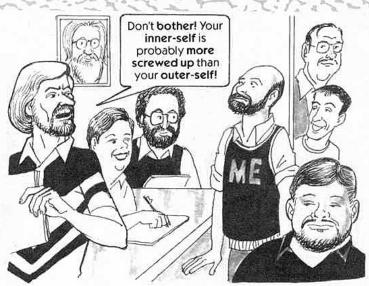
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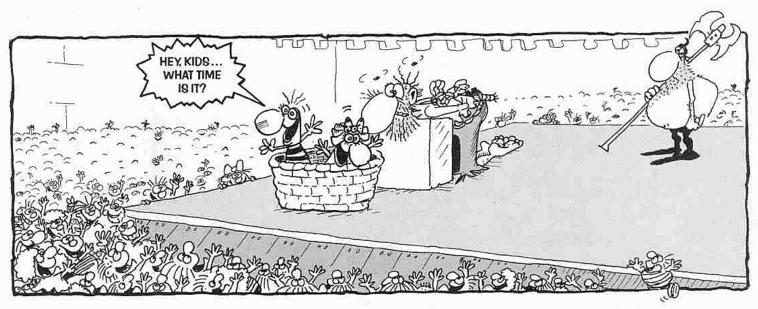


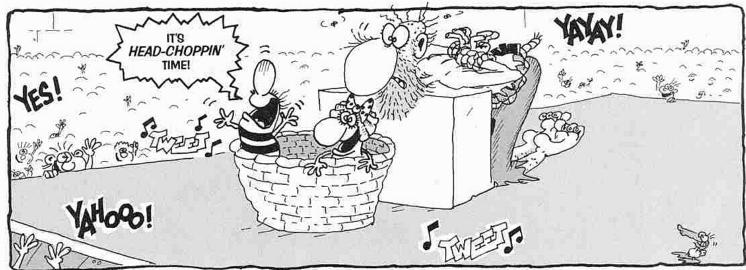
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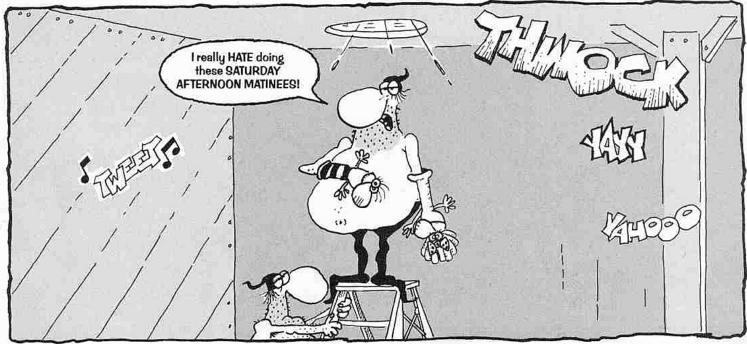




THE PERTURBED PUPPETEER'S PRONOUNCEMENT







Ask any political pundit, "Who elected Bill Clinton?" and you'll get the same hackneyed list: Reagan Democrats, Pro-Choicers, Labor and of course, people who couldn't stand Bush anymore. But these categories are too broad and general (especially the last one, which comprises two thirds of the entire U.S. population!). No, anyone who's been paying attention knows that Bill Clinton's political base is far more complex and diverse, as we'll show you in...

A MAD Look at The REAL "Clinton Coalition"

ARTIST: PAUL COKER

WRITER: MIKE SNIDER

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Folks who just want to piss off Rush Limbaugh



The Kennedys (in case they need a pardon for anything)



Backwoods Redneck draft-dodging Oxford scholars who finally have someone to represent them

Republicans who know the economy's about to melt down and they don't want to be in office when it does



Ex-Perot supporters who found out Perot was investigating them



Thirteen year old boys with a "thing" for Chelsea

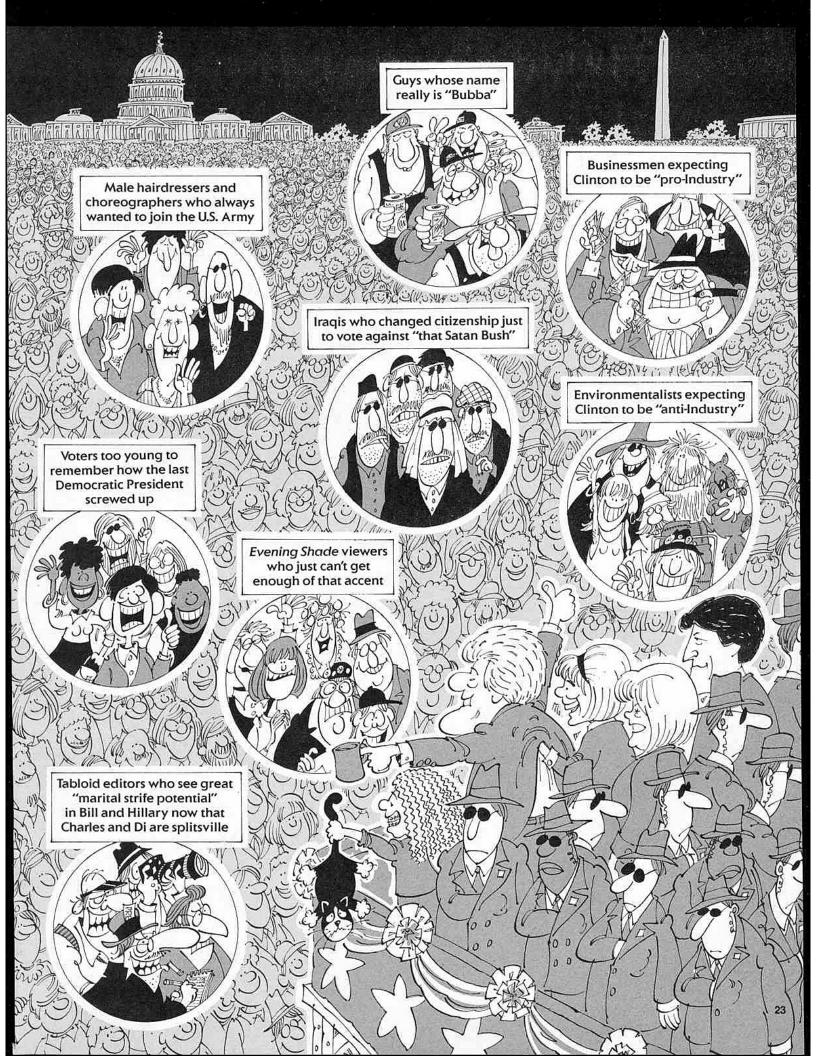
Cat lovers ecstatic over the fact that the "Dog monopoly" on White House pets has finally been broken

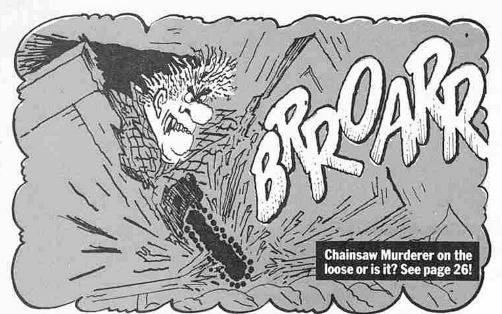




Masochists who make over \$200,000 a year







FEAR'S LOOKING AT YOU, KID DEPT.

There's nothing more active than your imagination noises and creepy sounds can only mean one thing-



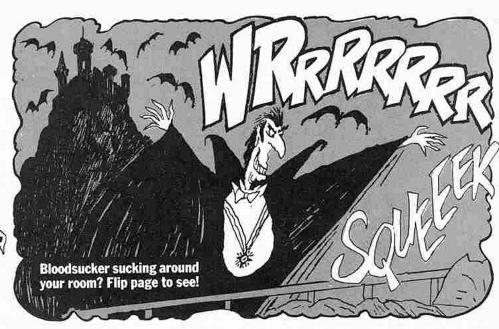


ARTIST AND WRITER: PAUL PETER PORGES



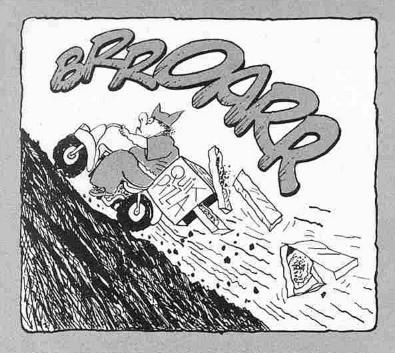
when you're a kid laying in bed in the dark. Weird nonsters and bad guys abound! Or do they? Here's

Guide to That Go



Second Story Man or a Second Explanation? See the next page!

Boyz in your Hood? Don't wet your pants! Turn the page, idiot!













BATSMEN AND RIBBIN' DEPT.

Across the country, sports fanatics are living vicariously through professional athletes by participating in a growing phenomenon known as "Rotisserie Leagues." These people make believe they own a sports team and try to find players with the right combination of speed, power and agility so that their team can get as many wins as possible. But everyone knows that it is not the player's speed, power and agility that fleshes out a professional sports team, but rather it is their quirks, short-comings and perversions, which is why we now present...

MAD'S BASEBALL ROTISSERIE LEAGUE DRAFT FORM

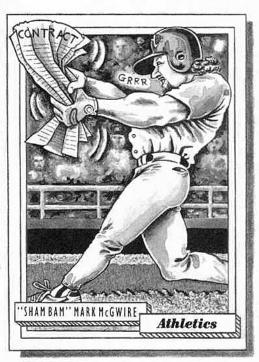
ERRATIC PLAYER WHO MAKES YOU WONDER



Has a record of 74-30 in odd numbered years and a record of 36-48 in even numbered years, which just goes to show that you only have to be good half the time to earn \$3,000,000 a year!



Stole 15 bases in three seasons with the Padres and 50 in the same span with the Mets, proving that running away from New York City muggers off the field can hone basic ballplaying skills!



Somehow managed to reach his 1991 home run total of 22 less than halfway through the 1992 season when, coincidentally, his contract happened to expire!



PLAYER WITH BAD "BAT" CONTROL





Accusations about his questionable bullpen activities have made umpires very reluctant to examine baseballs for illegal substances when he's on the mounding stances where the mounding stances where the mounding stances where the mounding stances when he was a stance where the mounding stances where the mounding



Has higher batting average with Margo Adams than he does in his entire career in the majors!



May not be a baseball player, but he's scored 20,000 times!

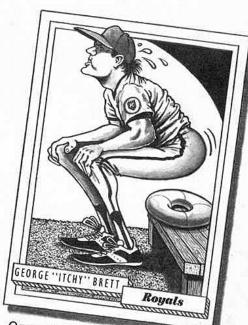
PLAYER WITH BIZARRE HEALTH CRISIS



Although a multi-millionaire, Bob was too cheap to hire a professional gardener, and as a result he nearly severed off his pitching hand with an electric hedgeclipper in a freakish shrubbery pruning accident!



Missed large part of 1991 season after injuring his shoulder in a drunk driving accident, but managed to cope with the pain by using his favorite pain killer...hard liquor!



Once batted .390 even though a severe case of hemorrhoids had him sitting out...er...uh... sorry...laying out 45 games!

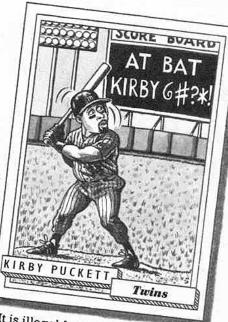
PLAYERS WHO DON'T NEED US TO GIVE THEM NICKNAMES



Part American Indian, Herm's great grandpappy got the family name due to his first place effort at the county fair!



When placed on a triple-word-score during a Scrabble game, his name scores you a whopping 84 points!



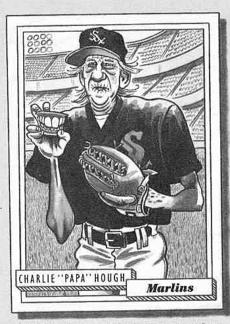
It is illegal for people with a severe lisp to say his name in over 15 states!



AGED PITCHER WHO STILL GETS THE BALL OVER THE PLATE



Very obvious that he went to grade school in the fifties before they taught the "new math," since he's been pitching in the big leagues for 17 years and he doesn't make anywhere close to \$1,000,000!



Amazing that he's managed to stay healthy for 20 years in the major leagues when you consider the fact that he was born a full decade before they invented vaccines for polio and measles!



Not only is he older than every single player and eight managers, but during his pitching career three democrats have served as President!

MEDIOCRE PLAYER WITH ABSURDLY LARGE SALARY



His 1991 record of 3-6 earned him an unprecedented \$1,083,333 per win! At this rate, if he ever becomes a 20-game winner, his club will have to file for bankruptcy!



Thanked the Dodgers for his fiveyear \$20,250,000 contract by hitting a blistering .197 with runners in scoring position and two outs!

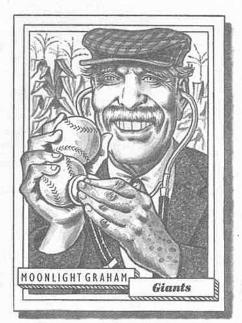


Regrets not having gone 0-40 after his record of 10-19 managed to get him a \$233,333 pay raise!

FICTIONAL PLAYERS BROUGHT TO LIFE ON THE BIG SCREEN



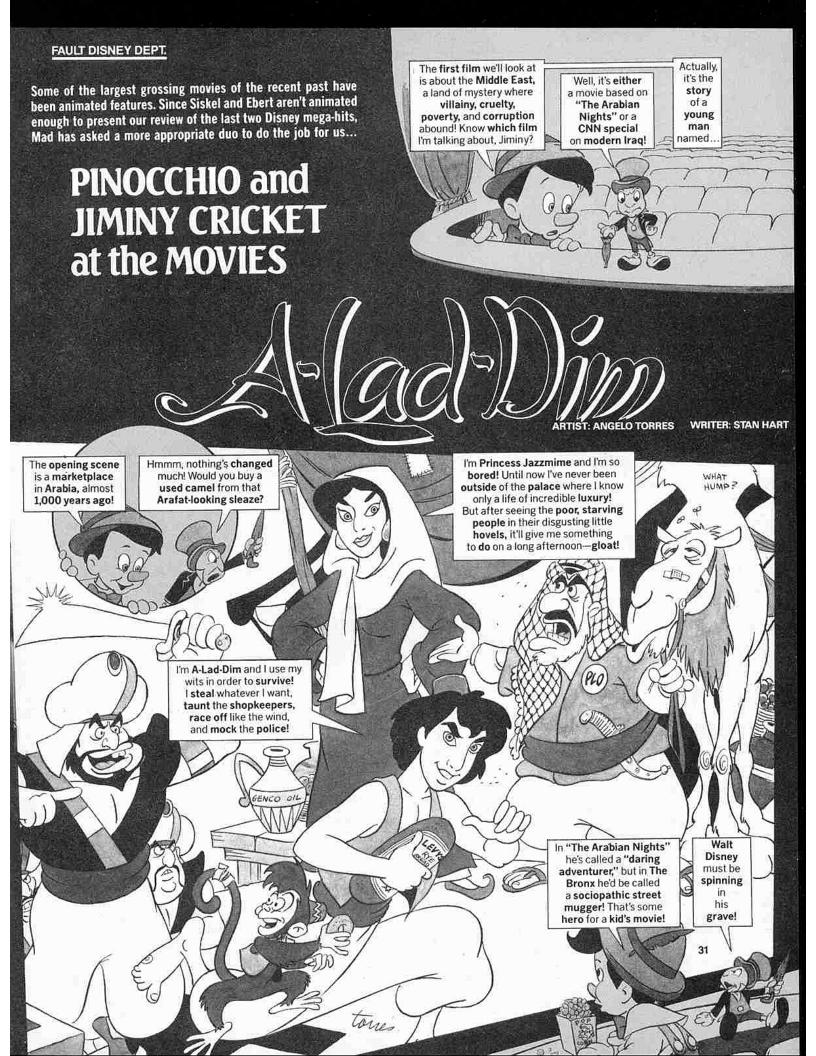
An above-average power hitter in the movie "Bull Durham," his one downfall is that he was played by a below average actor, Kevin Costnerl



A ballplayer-turned-physician portrayed by Burt Lancaster in "Field of Dreams," his truly great acting made audiences very aware of the mediocre performance turned in by the film's star, Kevin Costner!

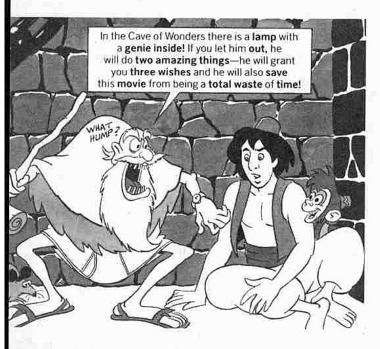


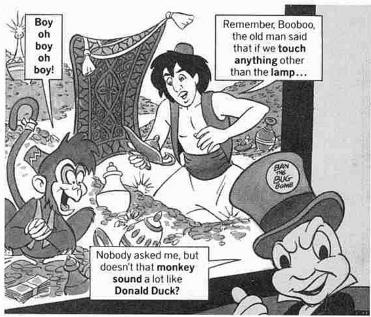
An incredible all-around athlete in the film "The Natural," his monotone characterization by Robert Redford paved the way for other no-talent actors to get by on their looks, such as Kevin Costner!







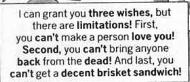




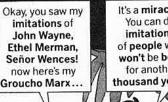


















Also a magical one! I can even get my agent to return







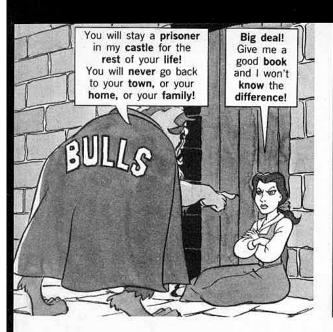


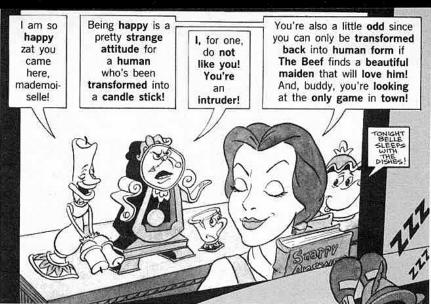


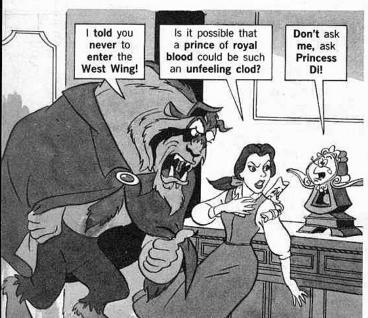






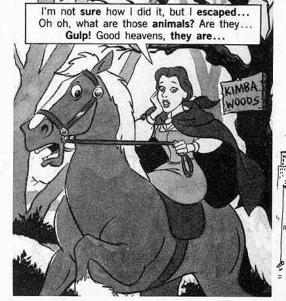










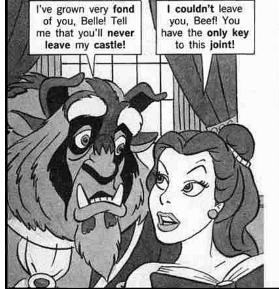






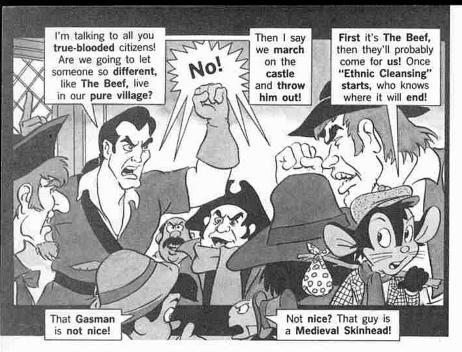










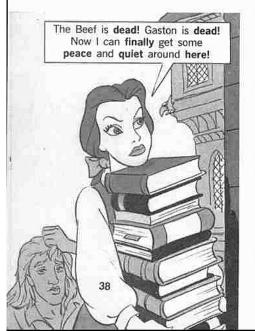






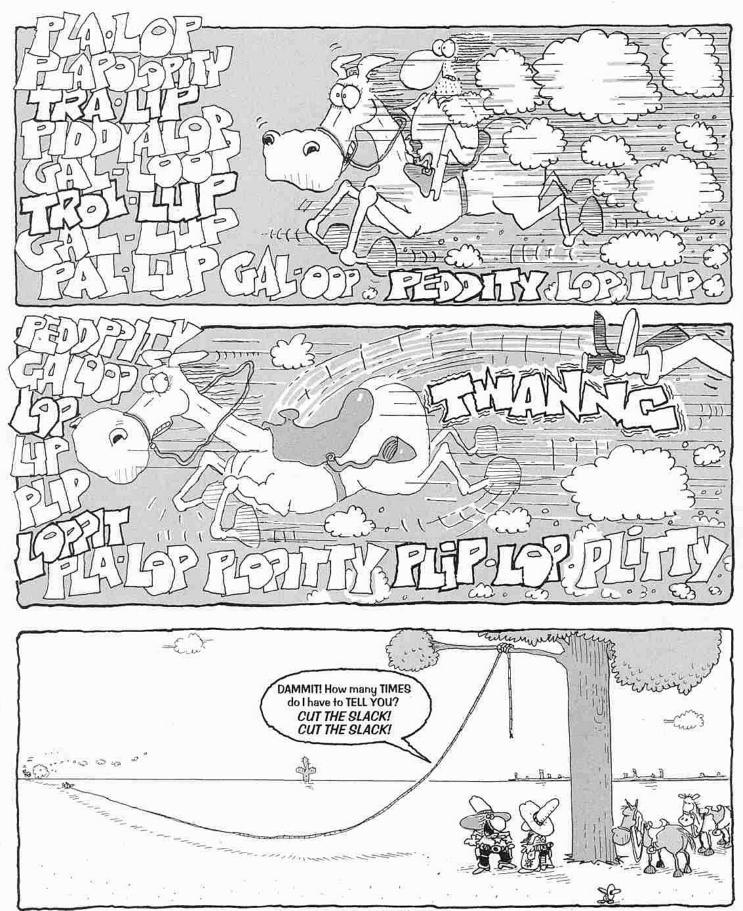






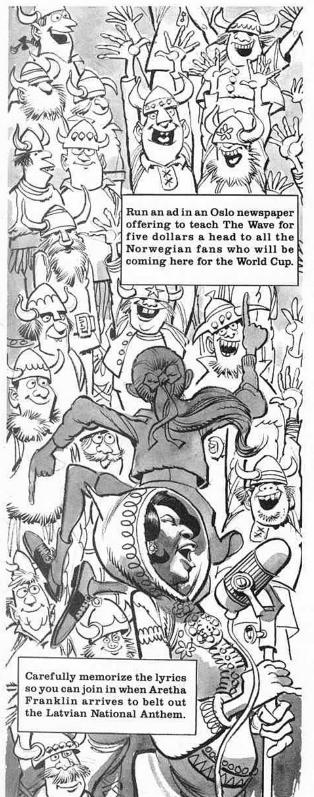


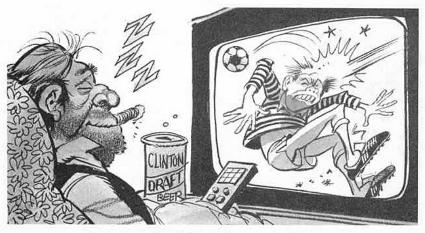
THE HAPLESS HANGMAN'S HUMILIATION



FIELD OF SCHEMES DEPT.

World Cup Soccer ranks right up there in importance with the Olympics among sports fanatics everywhere—except in the United States. Well, guess what?! The World Cup finals will be played and televised for the very first time in the United States in 1994! Unfortunately, your ignorance of the many captivating subtleties of big-time international soccer will be very apparent. Considering that there is money to be made from the coming U.S. soccer fad, as well as your reputation to be salvaged, we think it's now high time for MAD to step forth and tackle the job of preparing you to...





Rejoice in the knowledge that soccer on TV doesn't need a lot of instant replays because the next play always looks almost exactly like the previous one.



Give thanks that you don't have tickets to attend because the refreshment stands will probably feature cabbage soup, flat little corn cakes or sheep brains.



Light a candle in the sanctuary of your choice to express gratitude that John Madden, Chick Hearn and O.J. Simpson don't do play-by-play and commentary for soccer games.

ARTIST: JACK DAVIS

WRITER: TOM KOCH



Since Americans don't yet know what the top foreign stars look like, make your own deal right now to endorse soccer shoes on TV.



To understand why soccer scores are so low, discover for yourself how hard it is to kick a ball into a goal that's only 24 feet wide.



Spend at least an hour a day watching paint dry so your nervous system can adjust to the thrill of beholding Uruguay and Bulgaria battle to a scoreless tie.



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BIKERS ARTIST AND WRITER: SERGIO ARAGONES







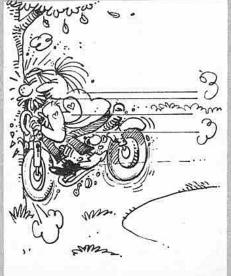


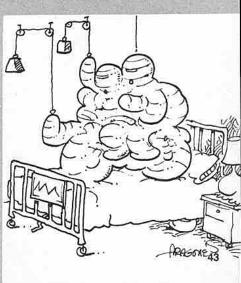


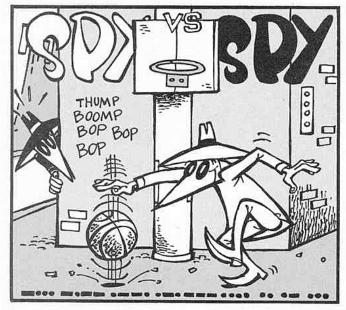


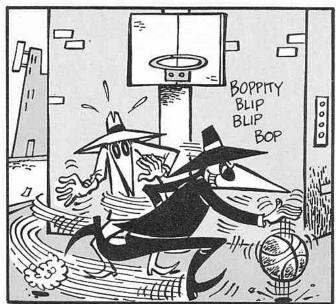


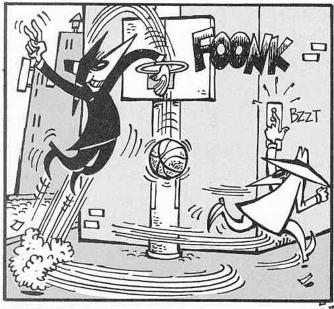


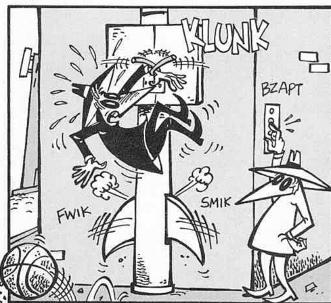


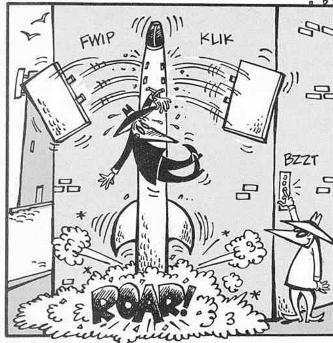














ASPIRING SQUAD DEPT.

As any couch potato with a TV clicker in his hand knows, most talk shows aren't very good—and the reason is simple! Most talk show hosts aren't very good. Yet as bad as most of these hosts are, there are others so incredibly annoying, boorish and ill-suited for the job that they never even made the tube! But that doesn't mean you will have the good fortune of not seeing them! Sorry, but we here at MAD have surreptitiously uncovered and now present for your own viewing displeasure...

AUDITION TAPES OF TALK SHOW HOSTS WHO NEVER MADE IT





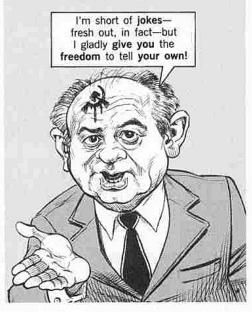




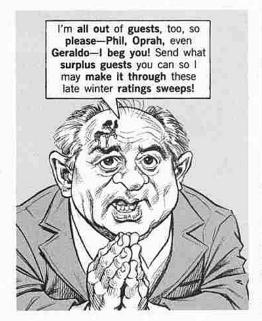




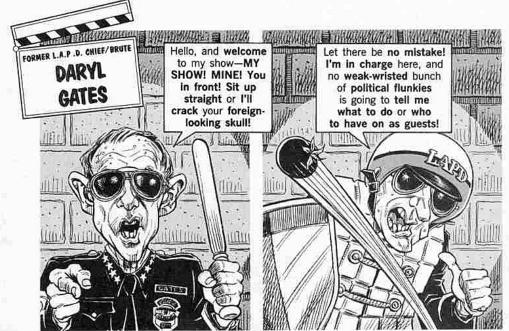














The 1992 presidential race is over! It's time for the losing candidates to move on and look for jobs! So may we suggest...

JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR

PRESIDENTIAL ROMANDES NO PORTO PS

GEORGE BUSH

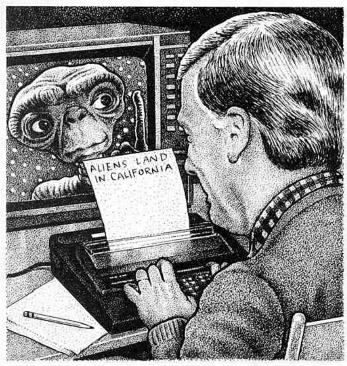
Ventriloquist



Never has to worry about his lips being read again, and he already has experience in controlling a dummy!

DAN QUAYLE

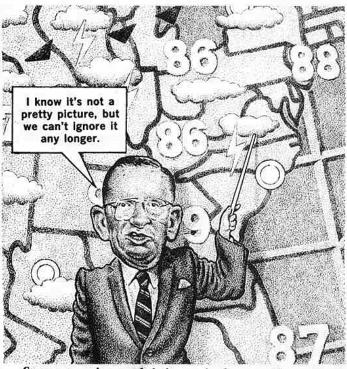
Tabloid Journalist



His indictment of Murphy Brown as an unfit mother is an example of what a truly wonderful job he does confusing fact and fiction!

ROSS PEROT

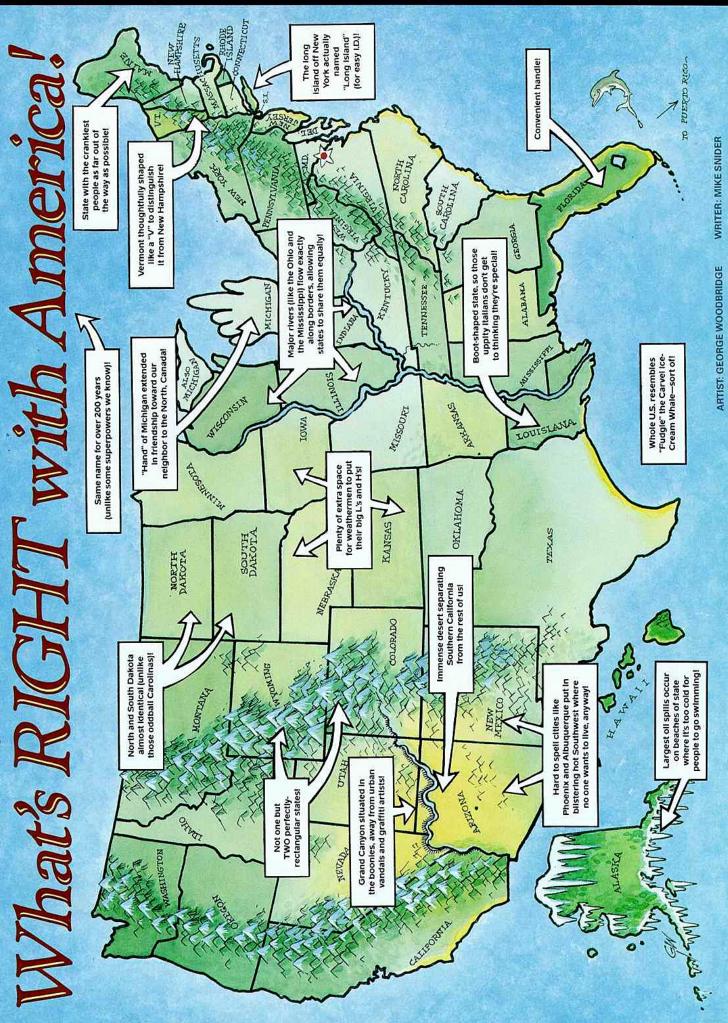
Weatherman



Seems to enjoy explaining pointless graphs and charts, and his long and tedious infomercials were about as exciting as The Weather Channel!

VRITER: ANDREW J. SCHWARTZBERG

"There's nothing wrong with America that can't be cured by what's right with Americal" Bill Clinton's stirring Inaugural Day words to which we say: "Huh?" But somewhere in that confusing mess of words is a message for us to quit blubbering about what's wrong with the U.S.A. and start noticing...



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